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ice lock at the inception of the Ohio  
river here and down the river assumed  
a serious aspect tonight. Since 1875,  
fewer men say, there has not been  
such severe weather at this time of  
the year, and damage to waterfront  
property and shipping interests will  
amount to half a million dollars before  
a thaw sets in.Navigation along the river every-  
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South, from the Ohio river to northern  
Georgia and Alabama, today expe-  
rienced the coldest weather of the  
winter. Louisville, with a temperature  
of 6 above, was the coldest city, with  
Nashville a close second at 8. Chatta-  
nooga reported 16 degrees and Atlanta  
22. Frosty weather is reported as  
prevailing in central Alabama and  
with practically the entire  
covered with snow of varying  
depth.Cold is reported severe over  
the Ohio valley, with heavy snowfalls from  
Pittsburg to Paducah. In Louisville the  
temperature fell 26 degrees from yes-  
terday's maximum, after a stormy  
night.The condition of the Ohio river is  
becoming worse daily and rivermen  
are pessimistic. There is not much  
ice in the Louisville harbor at present,  
but this is attributed to a big gorge  
which is holding it above.The river is frozen from Pittsburg  
to Cairo and with navigation entirely  
suspended a shortage of coal is an-  
ticipated within a week unless the  
weather moderates. The millions of  
bushels of Pittsburg coal intended for  
Louisville and Southern consumption,  
which is held in reserve at the "pump-  
in" patch, the storage station for the  
Ohio river, cannot be handled under  
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Chihuahua, who came to Washington  
some time ago as the personal repre-  
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Knox and Assistant Secretary Wilson.  
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soon as he has finished the one deal-  
ing with proposed amendments to the  
interstate commerce and anti-trust  
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ed its height on Sunday, raged for six  
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immediately to Managua to take  
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Chicago, Dec. 29.—Thomas D.  
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elected president of the American  
Baseball Association clubs.

TWO MEN ENTOMBED.

McAlester, Okla., Dec. 29.—Two men  
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